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9 October 1956

SINAI BACKGROUND: ANNEX A--EGYPTIAN MILITARY DISPOSITIONS

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 Canal Zone -- 15,000

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4 destroyers

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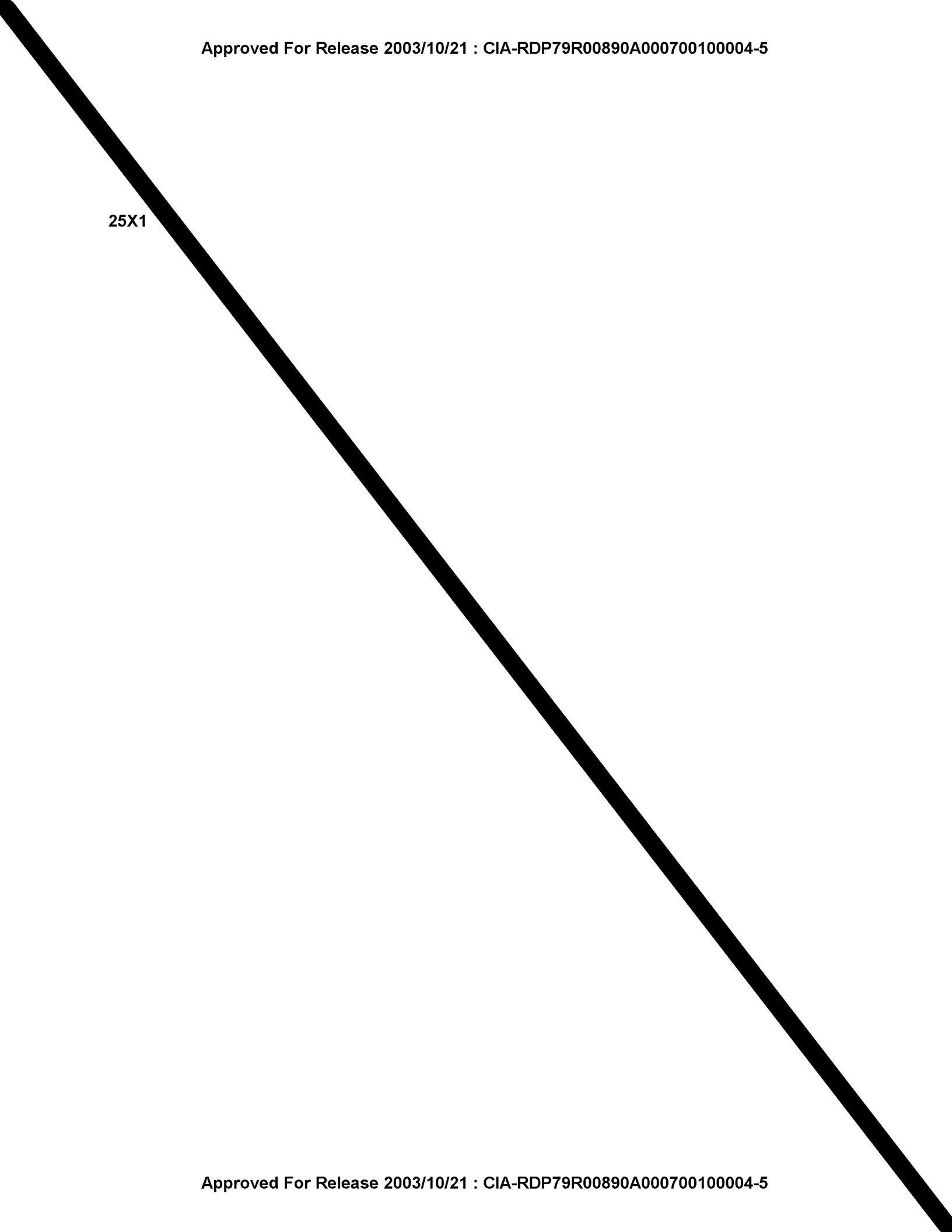
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